

COMMON COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
APRIL 3, 2007

- I. Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 5:05 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.
  - A. Mayor Armstrong introduced the two pages for the evening. The pages were Chaevana Douglas, 6<sup>th</sup> grader at Fodrea Elementary School and Samantha Noble, a 6<sup>th</sup> grader at Schmitt Elementary School. Each student introduced themselves and talked about their interests.
  - B. Opening Prayer was given by Dean Mathis, minister at First Christian Church.
  - C. Mayor Armstrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.
  - D. Roll Call: Present: Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, Craig Hawes, Robert Kittle, Martha Myers, August Tindell.
  - E. Acceptance of minutes – Martha Myers moved to approve the minutes from the Council meeting of March 7, 2007. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

**II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action**

None

**III. New Business Requiring Council Action**

- A. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.\_\_\_\_, 2007, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP, A PART OF TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, REZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM “AG” (AGRICULTURE) TO “R-3” (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL).” (Cornerstone) Jeff Bergman - Council Person George Dutro indicated he had a conflict of interest with this Ordinance and left the room until the Ordinance was acted upon. Jeff Bergman, Planning Director, presented this Ordinance. Jeff gave an overview of this Ordinance. He indicated the applicant was requesting that an area of approximately 30 acres be re-zoned to single-family residential. The property is located on the south side of County Road 200 South, generally east of the intersection with Terrace Lake Road. He indicated on March 7, 2007 the Columbus Plan Commission reviewed the application and was forwarding it to the City Council with a favorable recommendation by a vote of 9 to 0. Jeff indicated several members of the public spoke at the Plan Commission meeting and had concern about increased traffic in the area and the number of homes to be constructed. Jeff showed the location map, site photos and the comprehensive plan. Discussion followed. Martha Myers made a motion to place in proper channels. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0 with George Dutro abstaining.
- B. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.15, 2007, A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS TO DESIGNATE THE USE OF CERTAIN

APPROPRIATIONS IN THE 2007 CAPITAL BUDGET FOR “B” PRIORITY ITEMS.” Jim Norris, Director of Public Safety, presented this Resolution. He asked that the capital items for Sanitation Department, Traffic Department, MVH Department and Shop & Garage Department be released to “A” items. He informed the Council he understood that nothing could be purchased until the City of Columbus received their certified budget for 2007. Discussion followed. Clerk Treasurer Brenda Sullivan informed the City Council her estimate of the approximate date in which she felt a certified budget would be forthcoming. Craig Hawes moved to approve the Resolution pursuant to a certified budget order for 2007 being received by the Clerk Treasurer. August Tindell seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

#### **IV. Other Business**

- A. Council Appointments to Human Rights Commission. Council Person Craig Hawes reminded everyone of the upcoming Human Rights Dinner. Craig Hawes made a motion to appoint Rosalind Pegram to the Human Rights Commission and re-appoint Jason Staley and Ian Koehn to the Human Rights Commission. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. Craig Hawes asked that the press release regarding Rosalind Pegram, Jason Staley and Ian Kohen be submitted to the Clerk Treasurer and made a part of the record.
- B. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports.
- C. Next Regular Scheduled Meeting April 17, 2007
- D. Adjournment: Martha Myers moved to adjourn the meeting. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:22 o'clock P.M.

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Presiding Officer of the Common Council

Attest:

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Columbus City Clerk Treasurer